

LEE ET AL.
Appl. No. 10/553,261
Atty. Ref.: 3260-29
April 9, 2008
Amendment

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1. (Canceled)

2. (Original) A cosmetic composition with dual function for skin whitening and remedy of skin wrinkles comprising: (a) an extract from a seed of *Areca catechu* and an extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra* as an active ingredient; and (b) a cosmetically acceptable carrier.

3. (Original) The cosmetic composition according to claim 2, wherein each of said extract from the seed of *Areca catechu* and said extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra* is present in an amount of 0.001-1.0 wt% based on the total weight of said composition.

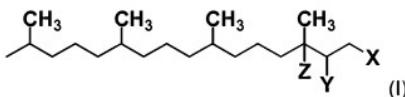
4. (Original) The cosmetic composition according to claim 2, wherein said extract from the seed of *Areca catechu* and said extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra* is entrapped into a biosome.

5. (Original) The cosmetic composition according to claim 4, wherein said biosome is present in an amount of 0.05-20 wt% based on the total weight of said composition.

6. (Original) The cosmetic composition according to claim 4, wherein said extract from the seed of *Areca catechu* and said extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra* is entrapped into said biosome with an amount of 0.01-5.0 wt% based on the total weight of said biosome.

7. (Original) The cosmetic composition according to claim 4, wherein said biosome is prepared by use of a non-ionic surfactant and a ceramide bound to glycerin.

8. (Withdrawn) The cosmetic composition according to claim 7, wherein said ceramide is a pseudoceramide represented by the following formula (I):



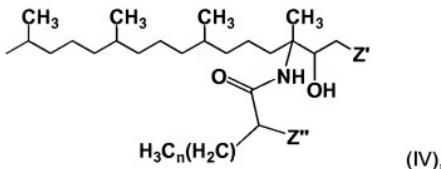
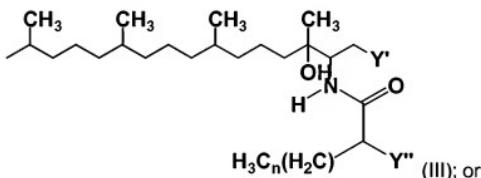
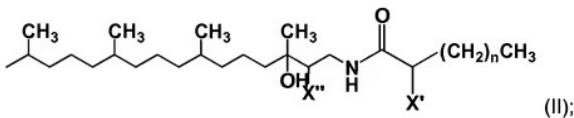
wherein Z represents $-\text{OH}$ and Y represents $-\text{OH}$, or $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \parallel \\ \text{O}-\text{P}(\text{OH})_2 \end{array}$ with

the proviso that X is $\text{HN}^+\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{R}$; Z represents $-\text{OH}$ and X represents $-\text{OH}$, or $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \parallel \\ \text{O}-\text{S}(\text{OH})_2 \end{array}$ with the proviso that Y is $\text{HN}^+\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{R}$; Y represents $-\text{OH}$ and X represents $-\text{OH}$,

or $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \parallel \\ \text{O}-\text{P}(\text{OH})_2 \end{array}$ or $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \parallel \\ \text{O}-\text{S}(\text{OH})_2 \end{array}$ with the proviso that Z is $\text{HN}^+\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{R}$; R represents a linear or

branched, saturated or unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbon group; and when substituted, R has one or more -OH groups.

9. (Original) The cosmetic composition according to claim 8, wherein said pseudoceramide represented by the following formula (II), (III) or (IV):



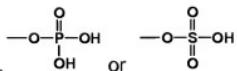
LEE ET AL.

Appl. No. 10/553,261

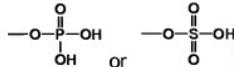
Atty. Ref.: 3260-29

April 9, 2008

Amendment



wherein X' represents H or —OH; X'' represents —OH,



Y' represents —OH, Y'' represents H or —OH; Z' represents —



OH, Z'' represents H or —OH; and n is 0 or an integer of from 1 to 47.

10. (Original) The composition according to claim 2, wherein said cosmetic composition is in the form of one selected from the group consisting of a solution, a suspension, an emulsion, a paste, an ointment, a gel, a cream, a lotion, a powder, a soap, a surfactant-containing cleanser, an oil, a powder foundation, an emulsion foundation, a wax foundation and a spray.